

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A composition for topical application to the skin or hair comprising:
 - (a) an oxygen labile active agent; and
 - (b) lactoglobulin.
2. (Original) A composition of claim 1, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid, tocotrienol, hydroquinone, ubiquinone, and dihydrolipoic acid.
3. (Original) A composition of claim 1, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is a retinoid.
4. (Original) A composition of claim 1, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is retinol.
5. (Original) A composition of claim 1, wherein said composition comprises (i) from about 0.01% to about 1%, by weight, of said oxygen labile active agent and (ii) from about 0.1% to about 10%, by weight, of lactoglobulin.
6. (Original) A composition of claim 5, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid, tocotrienol, hydroquinone, ubiquinone, and dihydrolipoic acid.
7. (Original) A composition of claim 5, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is a retinoid.

8. (Original) A composition of claim 5, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is retinol.

9. (Currently Amended) A composition for topical application to the skin or hair comprising:

- (a) an oxygen labile active agent,
- (b) an isoascorbic acid derivative,
- (c) a tocopherol derivative, and
- (d) lactoglobulin.

10. (Original) A composition of claim 9, wherein said composition comprises:

- (a) about 0.001 to about 20%, by weight, of said oxygen labile active agent,
- (b) about 0.001% to about 0.5%, by weight, of said isoascorbic acid derivative, and
- (c) about 0.1% to about 1%, by weight, of said tocopherol derivative; and
- (d) about 0.1% to about 10%, by weight, of lactoglobulin.

11. (Original) A composition of claim 9, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid, tocotrienol, hydroquinone, ubiquinone, and dihydrolipoic acid.

12. (Original) A composition of claim 9, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is a retinoid.

13. (Original) A composition of claim 9, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is retinol.

14. (Original) A composition of claim 10, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid, tocotrienol, hydroquinone, ubiquinone, and dihydrolipoic acid.

15. (Original) A composition of claim 10, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is a retinoid.

16. (Original) A composition of claim 10, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is retinol.

17. (New) A method of topically administering an oxygen labile active agent to the skin or hair, said method comprising topically administering a composition comprising said oxygen labile active agent and lactoglobulin.

18. (New) A method of claim 17, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid, tocotrienol, hydroquinone, ubiquinone, and dihydrolipoic acid.

19. (New) A method of claim 17, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is a retinoid.

20. (New) A method of claim 17, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is retinol.

21. (New) A method of claim 17, wherein said composition comprises (i) from about 0.01% to about 1%, by weight, of said oxygen labile active agent and (ii) from about 0.1% to about 10%, by weight, of lactoglobulin.

22. (New) A method of claim 21, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid, tocotrienol, hydroquinone, ubiquinone, and dihydrolipoic acid.

23. (New) A method of claim 21, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is a retinoid.

24. (New) A method of claim 21, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is retinol.
25. (New) A method of claim 17, said composition further comprising an isoascorbic acid derivative and a tocopherol derivative.
26. (New) A method of claim 25, wherein said composition comprises:
- (a) about 0.001 to about 20%, by weight, of said oxygen labile active agent,
 - (b) about 0.001% to about 0.5%, by weight, of said isoascorbic acid derivative, and
 - (c) about 0.1% to about 1%, by weight, of said tocopherol derivative; and
 - (d) about 0.1% to about 10%, by weight, of lactoglobulin.
27. (New) A method of claim 25, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid, tocotrienol, hydroquinone, ubiquinone, and dihydrolipoic acid.
28. (New) A method of claim 25, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is a retinoid.
29. (New) A method of claim 25, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is retinol.
30. (New) A method of claim 25, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is selected from the group consisting of ascorbic acid, tocotrienol, hydroquinone, ubiquinone, and dihydrolipoic acid.
31. (New) A method of claim 25, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is a retinoid.
32. (New) A method of claim 25, wherein said oxygen labile active agent is retinol.